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to the stand taken by the Polish Clergy and defines the policy of the PPR toward the Church in Poland.

- The letter of the Polish Bishops is an offense to the Polish Mation. This is the reward one gots from parasites, who consume the Polish broad sit, on fat parishes and without any scruples act as agents of the Vatioan. Under cover of fighting for Christianity, the clergy of Poland is breaking the unity of the nation, undermining the authority of the People's State and trying to in-cite hatred toward the PFR. It is in our own interest to stop the poisoning of the hearts and minds of Polish youth with this Catholic nonsense. Church often protests our treatment of our political opponents. But is the Church soting otherwise? Were not the Josuits, politically motivated, the murderers of their own enemies and those of the Church? The essence of every science and religion is God and Etornity. Different religions define God in different ways. Religion and God are two different things. If a country beson its existence on the principlo of sovereignty, it cannot live in agreement with the Church, because the Church forms a state within the state. The policy of the Church, its moral principles and the laws of the Church conflict with a People's state. The Church is a thing of the past; it needs far reaching changes to be able to remain in existence.
- The religion of our times is the Marxist philosophy. In it the poor and injured are looking for hope and refuge from the might of this world; the mighty are blessoo by the Pope and supported by Catholicism.
- The Marxist philosophy has more staunch followers and self-sacrificing fighters than the Catholic religion. The martyrs of our times are the followers of Marx. Do we see today any priests or Catholics willing to die collectively in defense of the principles they proach? No! This means that Catholicism has ceased to be a living religion; it has ceased to educate, to oreate new values. In contrast look at the sea of blood shed by the Marxists in Greece, in Spain, or in the fight against Hitler in the U.SR, Poland, Yugoslavia, Bulgaria, Romania and Hungery.
- A true religion should see God in the human being, in his happiness, family life, social relations and national endeavors. The highest idea of God was developed by the Jews, who are the most coherent and united nation on earth.

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- 5. Christianity was oreated by a Jew, just as Marxism, but it has been distorted by the Popes, the successors of the Roman Emperors.
- 6. The Church is the seed of obscurantism. Memorar a Cathelic tries to go beyond the well-trod channels of degratic thinking and endeavors to find a truth different from that proceed by the priests, by is proclaimed a herotic. Becarn times and the future bring different truths and destrines. Brannity no longer tends to believe blindly. The human train is searching for now laws and degras. The atom has been split; a further search is under way. The Churches, which are trying to enslave human throught, must fall, just as many other religious systems, loss well organized, have fallies. The voice of the people has been and always shall be the Vaice of God.
- 7. The voice of the people has for emitties been a voice of revolt and despair; the Church has never listened to it. At last, we the Larxists heard it! The will of the people has been our own will and we believe that it is also the will of God. The Vatican means overything to the elergy; the State can be an instrument only. The Church fears the new Polish People's Democracy. Today's representatives of the Church have nothing in common with Christ, who worked among the people and for the people. A clear-out question should be asked: "Mat is more important? An abstract idea of God, or a definite idea, such as the Nation?" For Marxists the choice is easy and clear.
- 8. For a Church theoretician naturally God will be put above the Nation. That is the so-called theoretic system, very convenient for members of the Church, but very solfish and misleading. We Marxists believe that one who has no sympathy for the people with when he associates and who support him cannot have a real feeling for God. Care of the poor used to be one of the basic principles of the Christian religion. "Whatever you do for one of my poorest in my name, you will do for me", said Our Lord and the Noly Scripture, one of the most intelligent books ever written.
- 9. We Markists are putting the State and the Nation above the Church. We are deeply convinced that, while serving our People's Democracy and the peorest people of our Nation, we are not acting against the will of God, although we do not against the desires of the Vations and of the Clergy of Poland. We do not consider ourselves fighting against God when we try to abolish the Church administration, which is officially and illegally trying to undermine the foundations of the Polish State.
- 10. Today the Polish Mation follows the pattern of its historical past, by determining its own life, both in the spiritual and materialistic sphere, by trying to attain a better position in the world.
- 11. This march toward a bottom future is being hampered by reactionary forces, linked to the past and headed by the Catholic Church, which fears that it will loss its golden treasures and the masses of followers from among the working and the peasant classes.
- 12. No wonder that the simple man, who sees the Church's false and hestile attitude toward him and knows that his desires and wishes will not be heard, is getting farther and farther away from the Church. The mass of the faithful is composed of lay people, whose obsdience is based on ignorance. These lay people are today quite different than they were before mark war II. They are free, more enlightened and willing to progress. They will not let themselves be blindly led by the Church.
- 18. There are many people in Poland who, although Catholic, feel a great animosity toward the Catholic Clorgy and could easily be led in the fight against the Church. Nost of the Catholics do not live up to the principles of the Church. Their Catholicism is limited to the acceptance of the Last Sacranont just before they are ready to die. Catholicism is more and more becoming a dead form, instead of a living decirine.
- 14. In spite of all these factors, which we consider favorable for our cause, the Cathelic religion is still a vital force. It has been part of the Nation much too long. Its roots are deep. It is tied to the history, the cultural background, the family and social life of every individual. We must remember this.